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Move To New Home Prompts Mission History

San Francisco Home or Northern California Mission, 1942 to 1963

Removal of the Northern California Mission Home in August to 4945 Lincoln Way, Oakland near the Oakland Temple and East Bay Interstake Center, from the site at 5 Buena Vista Terrace, San Francisco, it had occupied since 1942, was an historic event. Generations of missionaries throughout the Church have fond memories of the old Mission Home and the several presidents who have conducted the mission's affairs with it as a headquarters.

Therefore, we are pleased to present the first of a series of historical articles prepared after extensive research by Sister Maxine Allen, wife of the current mission president W. Howard Allen. Other installments will follow in subsequent months.

By Maxine Allen

Division of the California Mission, which included Arizona and Nevada, occurred January 2, 1942. The southern part, which continued to be called the California Mission, included Arizona and southern California from a point between Visalia and Porterville to a point on the coast between King City and Paso Robles. All of California north of that line and all of Nevada became the Northern California Mission. German E. Ellsworth and his wife Mary Smith Ellsworth of Mesa, Arizona, were called to preside over the new mission which included 119 missonaries working in El Dorado, Fresno, Monterey Bay, Nevada, Oakland, Redwood, San Francisco, Santa Rosa, and Shasta districts.

President and Sister Ellsworth arrived in San Francisco January 13, rented an apartment, and began looking for a suitable mission home and office. The first conference was held January 29 and 30 and was attended by Elder Stephen L. Richards of the Council of the Twelve who helped select a mission home. Temporary offices were established at the San Francisco Ward chapel, 1649 Hayes St., where the San Francisco and Bay Wards now meet. Typewriters adding machines, and mimeograph were obtained. Purchase of the Mission Home at 5 Buena Vista Terrace from restaurateur Gene Compton was completed February 11. Household furnishings were included in the purchase.

Some of the missionaries moved

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Bob McCrea Wins Photo Honors

Important honors in photography have come to Robert McCrea of Hayward Stake. A former member of Claremont Ward, Robert moved to Hayward last year when he became associated with Ash Studios.

At Dallas, Texas, July 21, he received top honor among professional photographers when a print titled "Mischief" was accepted for exhibit at the 72nd International Exposition of Professional Photography and the 11th National Industrial Photographic conference. Both events at Dallas were attended by more than 4,000 professional photographers from the United States and many foreign countries, and 20,000 visitors.

McCrea's work was shown at the country's leading exhibition of contemporary photography, the 11th Annual Western States Print Exhibit sponored by the Professional Photographers of California, July 6-10 at Los Angeles.

His print was selected with 99 others from 1,000 entries submitted.

In addition, work by Brother McCrea placed fourth in the Professional Division of Portraiture at the Alameda County Fair this summer.

For those who came in late—Bob McCrea has been taking The Messenger's monthly pictures of progress of the Oakland Temple. These pictures have been infrequent lately, not that we've quarreled with Brother McCrea nor that progress has ceased. Progress is now going on INSIDE the building where it isn't so photogenic.

Ted Epling Joins Le Roi Gardner

Ted R. Epling of the Berkeley 1st Ward is now associated with LeRoi B. Gardner and June H. Ellis in the LeRoi Gardner Realtor office at 1797 Solano Avenue Berkeley. An announcement of Brother Epling's association with the firm is in this issue of the Messenger.

Here's Story Of Dedication To Temple Service

By Mary Westover

Alfons Hans Wacker grew up in his father's office in Munich, Germany. His father was an architecht who specialized in building churches; so building fine churches befitting the worship of God, became his dream. He studied hard and got his doctorate in architecture so that he might know as much as possible about his life's work. He studied many languages so that he could supervise these buildings in many countries— and then he joined our Church and his interest became Temples, which were structurally superb and spiritually tdifying .His highest dream was to have a part in the buildiig of a Temple set apart and dedicated for the carrying out of sacred rituals.

He came to America and talked with the Prophet, David O. McKay, and told him about the dream. To his surprise and awe he was accorded understanding and respect. He was told of the building of the Temple at Oakland and the dream became a great longing to have a part in helping erect this beautiful building; so he went home and prepared himself that he might be worthy.

He fasted for 40 days, he got his business affairs in order so that he might leave them, and he came back prepared to offer his services without remuneration in whatever capacity he might be needed. Because of the various building regulations he could not do the work he had spent his life preparing for,—so he became the night watchman and found that often his specific knowledge of architectural problems was helpful to those who might have to meet these probblems as the building progressed. He could honestly feel that he had helped to build a Temple of which the whole Church might be proud.

Hans Wacker, humbly gave service and found himself fulfilled.

Seminary Change Is Announced

Clarence L. Fields will be new Bay Area Seminary coordinator, succeeding Kenneth W. Godfrey, according to announcemnt by Dr. Ernest L. Wilkinson of the Church Unified School System. Brother Godfrey becomes new director of the San Francisco City College and San Francisco State College Institute.

Brother Fields leaves assignment as principal of the Salt Lake West Seminary, since 1957. He has served in the seminary program since 1955. When he accepted the change in assignment he was a member of the South Davis High Council. He served his mission in Western Canada 1946-48. He has bachelor's and master's degrees from BYU.

Brother Godfrey has served the Church Department of Education since 1958 when he was appointed of the Firth, Idaho, Seminary. He was assistant coordinator of southern California seminaries in 1960 and for the last year has been coordinator for seminaries in the San Francisco Bay Area. He has obtained both his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Utah State University. He served a mission in the southern states in 1953-54.

Auxiliaries To San Mateo Meet

Three prominent auxiliary organization leaders of the Church attended quarterly conference of the San Mateo Stake Saturday and Sunday, September 14 and 15, in San Mateo.

They are Joseph Fielding Smith, Jr., member of the Sunday School General Board; Charles E. Mitchener and Helena W. Larson, representing the Young Men's and Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association of the Church.

General sessions of the conference were conducted Sunday at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. by Stake President Richard Isom Palmer, 313 Barcelona Drive, Millbrae.

Elder Smith has served the Church in numerous capacities throughout his life, including several years in missionary work. His father is president of the Council of Twelve Apostles, and his grandfather was sixth president of the Church.

Elder Mitchener has worked as a seminary teacher since 1957. He has been a missionary for the Church, and ha worked in the Priesthood, Sunday School, and Youth programs.

Special meetings for Sunday School and MIA leaders were held Saturday.

New Bishopric Is Announced

By George Kaides

San Francisco Ward has a new bishop and counselors. Bishop Keneth Lee Roberts, originally hales from Panguitch, Utah, where he received most of his priesthood training. He was in the mission field from 1952 to 1954, located in the north central states. He married his wife, Doris Jean, December, 1954. He attended the University of Utah and was a teacher in Salt Lake City. His last residence was Taylorsville, Utah. The Roberts' have five children.

First counselor Kenneth Millard was born in Salt Lake City. He attended college in Utah, Washington, and Cornell, and was on a mission in France from 1949 to 1951. He was married to his wife Patricia in 1958, and they have two boys.

Second counselor Allyn Lyon is also from Salt Lake City. He attended the University of Utah and went on a mission in Holland from 1954 to 1957. Brother Lyon married his wife Donna in 1958.

With the change in the bishopric there was a complete reorganization in the Mutual Improvement Association. We now have sister Mozelle Alger as president. Her first counselor is Ruby Smith and second is Shirley Carrell. Maury Schooff as the new superintendent with his first assistant as Francis Mayer and second as Ray Stein. he secretary is Conrad Marquardt and athletic director is William Ray; Era director James Christensen; secretary, Varena Lambert, and Dance director, Deanna Nenes.

KENNETH ROBERTS, new Bishop of the San Francisco Ward, (center) is assisted by Kenneth Millard (left), first counselors; and Allyn Lyon (right) second counselor.

My Testimony

Religion Not Apart From Life

By Mabel B. Liddell

In a recent public address, our beloved Prophet, David O. McKay spoke as follows:

"The unfortunate thing about the statement regarding prayer in school being unconstitutional is that children will grow up in school feeling that teaching of God, of religion, is a thing apart from life itself."

This statement brought back a flood of memories of the L.D.S. High School in Salt Lake City; where prayer and scripture study, fun and finals, sports and dating all were woven into one great character-moulding experience under the direction of inspired teachers; where each day's devotional assemblies were opened and closed by prayer and addresses by the General Authorities of the Church and world leaders were daily expectations. One such assembly will be an everlasting memory for all those present, when a Prophet of God made a decision that affected every student. A man who was present relives it for us:

"The year was about 1923. Basketball was always a supreme sport at L.D.S. This particular year our superb team had won local, division, state and intermountain tournaments and was invited to participate in the national playoff at Chicago. Victory fever was intense, not only in our school but throughout the city.

"At this crucial moment, in a last minute check by the eligibility committee, it was learned that one of our best players had been ineligible for some time - unknown even to himself. Thehe was a rule that no student could participate more than four years in high school athletics. He had attended another school for a few weeks before entering LDS as a freshman. It was so insignificant he hadn't ever supposed it mattered. But now, it was a devastating blow!

"It could have been hushed up. No one would ever have known, likely, outside of the committee. But complete honesty was the policy of our leaders. President Guy C. Wilson was notified at once.

"For a man of integrity there was but one decision possible and he knew it. But he also knew how valiantly the team had fought for this moment of triumph. It meant so much to them - to the school - to the Church!

"Before facing the six hundred cheering students in Barrett Hall, he conferred with President Heber J. Grant. This great man of God didn't hesitate for a moment when apprised of the situation. "There is but one thing to do. Forfeit the title!"

"A stabbing silence followed President Wilson's announcement in our assembly that morning. Then tears flowed unashamedly down our cheeks. All day was like a day of mourning. But not one head was bowed in shame. We had learned a lesson in honor and nobility that would stay with us. It was better eventually than all the basketball victories. Our teachers were led by a Prophet of God, and we knew it."

3-D's To Appear

The popular trio of recording artists, "The 3-D's" will present a program at the East Bay Interstake Center November 15 at 8 p.m. The Castro Valley Second Ward is sponsoring the local appearance to support their building fund. Voluntary contributions of $5.00 for sponsors and $1.50 for general public are suggested.

The 3-D's album of Mormon Folk Ballads is also on sale by the Castro Valley Second Ward to help with building funds. The album at $3.95 may be ordered from Glenna Stephens, 3606 Swallow Court, Castro Valley. The ward Bishopric also requests that advance contributions for attendance at the November 15 performance be sent to the same address.

The 3-D's—Dick Davis, Dennis Sorenson and Duane Hiatt —are in California during November where they will appear at Stanford University November 1; at the University of California November 8; and at UCLA November 18.

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Berkeley 2d Ward

Bazaar To Raise Welfare Budget

By Marilla Bodily

Saturday, October 19 the Berkeley 2d Ward will hold its annual bazaar to raise funds for its Welfare budget. The theme will be the country fair and chairman is Gene Hellwig assisted by Ned Clyde. The Elders' Ouorum will start off the affair with a spaghetti dinner at 6 and activies will continue through 9 p.m. All auxillaries are joining to make the evening successful. Friends and stake members are invited.

Relief Society will begin its regular fall meetings with a social Thursday, October 10, at 10 a.m. under Grace Boyack, pres. The literary lesson will be given by June Ellis and a luncheon will follow.

Berkeley 2d Ward Primary started off September 11 with 106 present. Several new teachers have joined our fall staff: Peggy Flamn teaching the Gay Notes; Bargara Hulme returns to lead the Firelights; and. Jackie Pack the Merry Hands. Sharon Layton has changed to the Co-Pilots and our new organist is DeRae Kennedy.

The Sunday School superintendancy is back to full strength with the welcome return of Frank Crockett. He and his wife Ann enjoyed four months in Europe. Part of the time was spent with David, who has just completed his French Mission and returned early to attend Brigham Young University.

Our two Seminaries under the capable husband-and-wife team of Ray and Janet Balmforth are organized with the appointment of Cynthia Smith, president of the 6:20 a.m. junior and senior class high school students , and Robert Owens, President of the 7:20 a.m. freshman and sophomore class students. We are grateful to Brother and Sister Elmer Harker for the use of their recreation room again this year. The older group under Ray Balmforth has 71 per cent of its eligible students attending and the younger group has 64 per cent with a total of 38 starters.

The students are busy with school leadership. At Portola Junior High School we have Joyce Woolf as vice-president of the student body and Harvey Hulme, president, and Sheila Cain secretary of the ninth grade class.

For the school year the two American Field Service exhange students at El Cerrito High School are living with ward families. The Ned Clydes' new daughter is 18 year-old Beca dos Santose Silva from Lisbon, Portugal. She is in her henior year and will be sister to Carolee and Christine Clyde. The Gordon Langlois have 16 year-old Hellmut Sieglerschmidt from West Berlin, Germany as brother to Richard. Both are seniors.

Our Ward is losing a large group of active young people, but we wish them well in the coming years of higher education. Alex Kirchow, Clyde and Clifford Nuzman, Pat Plastrik and Helen Wheeler are attending Contra College; Marilla Bodily is at Oakland City College; David Jensen is attending the University of California; Sue Holmes is a Stanford; Coleen Carpenter will be at Dixie College in St . George; and, Bonnie Baer, Judy Wood, and Rebert Olsen are at Brigham Young University in Provo.

We welcome home Paul Carpenter from the West German Mission. He will attend BYU. David Larson has just returned from the Central German Mission and will enroll at the University of California.

Troop 38 has planned a mattress trip down the Russian River from Geyserville to Healdsburg for Saturday, October 5. Your lunch goes with you in a waterproof sack!

Concord 2d Ward

Primary Growth Splits Classes

By Ann Onymous

Concord 2d Ward's Primary association continues to grow so rapidly that all classes have been split into two or three sections. Floy Harley is the new president. Her counselors are Marie Renshaw and Darlene Thompsen, Those called to teach are Camilla Waddell, Barbara Brag, Lola Blakely, Ethel Smith, Dorothy Robertson, Janine Musser, June Mitton, Diane Sutton, Sandra Doty, Maxine Glenn, Alvira Copeland, Frances Hammel, Lee Dahl, Joanne Tiegan, Connie Sheffield, Virginia Jensen, Diane McClun, Una Blatter, Norma Ericksen, Kay O'Driscoll, Trudi Bollinder, Dorothy Griffith, Carolyn Farnworth, Marilyn Beetleson, Carolyn Call. To assist as in-service leader is Virginia Bates. Our able choristers are Rhoda Hinckley and Helen Norberg. Patsy Anderson and Lynn Dell Johnson share organist duties, Ethel Stan is secretary, and Jan Moore is historian.

Among many other changes in the ward, due to the recent division of the stake, we welcome Brother Norman Birch as successor to George Hawkes in the bishopric. Leon Bawden is called to the ward superintednent of Mutual, with Russ Bates and Blain Jensen as counselors. Sister Mar-Del Arnold is a new counselor in Relief Society.

Along with the challenge of many new jobs to be filled in the ward offices, the members have been working on completing the new classrooms, and Brother Peterson estimates that they should be ready for occupancy within a month or so. And how does everyone like the new air conditioning installed in the main chapel?

Bishop Sutton hopes that this month's Temple trip will be as successful as the last one. Those who want to participate and have not yet got a recommed should see him soon. The date is October 25.

Everyone agreed that the ward welfare dinner (in lieu of picking walnuts) was a tremendous success. Chef Karl Erickson filled the recreation hall with the tantalizing aromas of Swedish meat balls and other fine dishes, and the wonderful entertainment following dinner was most enjoyable.

Lucretia Markham, daughter of Bishop and Sister Ira Markham, returned last month from Venezuela, where she had spent the summer as a teacher trainer under President Kennedy's Alliance for Progress program. She was one of 60 chosen from across the nation. Sister Markham returned with many interesting reports of the Venezuelan system of education, which is very different from our own. Only once did she meet a Latter-Day Saint during her visit, since the Church has not yet established a mission there. Sister Markham has returned to her work as a Spanish teacher in the Los Altos elementary schools.

Indian Legends Compared With Book of Mormon

By Jean Manning

Comparison of Indian legends with the Book of Mormon will be featured at a San Francisco Stake fireside at 8 p.m., Sunday October 20 in the Stake House, Hillside and Brunswick Streets.

Zula Brinkerhoff of St. George, Utah, who has devoted her life to study of Indians ever since the United Nations refused to open its doors to them, will be the speaker.

A lifelong member of the Church, Sister Brinkerhoff met her husband while on her mission. All their children have served missions and she is now on a stake mission.

Pursuing her interest, she has spent much time on Indian reservations and has attended their religious ceremonies. She travels at her own expense, speaking among the Lamanites and the Gentiles as well as before members of the Church. Many conversions have developed from her work and testimony.

Genealogy Corner

By Mary B. Russell

Education Week in August plus the new classes in research given during the M.I.A. period, should bring new stimulus to our patrons who are seeking progenitors and writing history. New avenues of research, bringing records to our library never before available, will soon leave us without excuse for non-participation in these fields.

We have been informed that the Public Record Office, London, is willing to micro-film any material in its possesion suitable for that operation. Already on hand for purchase are the 1841 and 1851 censuses of England and Wales on 35mm film. For these the cost is $9.00 or less per film. The 1891 census is in process of being copied in 16mm film which will be cheaper and is expected to be completed by the end of this year.

The membership fee which Oakland 3d Ward Genealogy Committee pays annually to the Lancashire Parish Register Society has now brought vol. 101, the register of liverpool of christenings, burials and marriages 1701-1725.

Our library is becoming widely known. One letter from Oklahoma is typical of may and was addressed "To the Genealogist Dept, Oakland, California.' '

Our German researcher continues to be successful for herself and others. A German book recently donated to the library had a query from a gentleman in her home town. On making contact with him, Sister Beyers learned that their grandmothers were sisters and that he can trace that line to 1600. A well earned reward for many long hours spent serving in the library. Census mirco-films continue to come in, patrons have made good use of the 50-50 purchase, whereby the patron pays half of the cost and the library pays the balance. The film stays in the library. We hope to have more stimulating news before long.

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David Fuhriman

DAVID HYRUM FUHRIMAN Sr., a high priest in Oakland ward, died suddenly August 26 of a heart attack. He was born in Providence, Utah, and was a graduate of Brigham Young College and Utah State University at Logan. He was granted a scholarship at Stanford University Graduate School of Business where he received his master's degree in 1929. At the time of his graduation he was selected for a position with General Mills, Inc., of Minneapolis, Minn., and in 1933 was transferred to the Sperry Division of General Mills wit hoffices in San Francisco. That same year he became stake activity counselor to President Glenn Harmon of the first San Francisco Stake Y.M.M.I.A., which at that time included the entire San Francisco Bay area..

His work took him to southern California for ten years, where his activity in the church continued, from president of the elders quorum, activity counselor in the M.I.A., ward clerk, and superintendent of the Alhambra Ward Sunday School. He returned to the Peninsula and Bay Area in 1944.

David Fuhriman was a devoted church worker, and until illness forced his retiremtn from church activities he was stake superintendent of the Y.M.M.I.A. from 1951 to 1955. During this time he was also divisional co-chairman for the twelfth division of the Church Mutual Improvement Association program, covering twelve stakes throughout northern California and Nevada. Later, during 1958-1959 he served as superintendent of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Sunday School and was again released for illness.

He was an honorary Master M-Man, having received this award in recognition of his outstanding service to the youth of the church.

Surviving are his wife Maurine, three children, Mrs. David (Elizabeth) Gardner of Orinda, David John, a student at the University of California School of Denistry, San Francisco, two grandchildren, Karen Maurine and Sharilee Jane Gardner, and by four brothers and three sisters.

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Hayward Ward

Scouts Set Camp On Sly (Creek)

By Gary Justus

On August 17, a group of scouts and leaders from Troop 802 took a camping trip by the Sly Creek in Yuba County. That Sunday the scouts cleared an area to hold the Sacrament and Priesthood meetings. The metings went like the ones at home except all were enjoying the open country.

During the week we finished setting up our camp and started to compete in a log hoisting and fire building contest. For those who didn't know how to handle an axe or couldn't tie all the knots required, the leaders gave demonstrations. We didn't spend all our time in camp. We visited Georgia Pacific Lumber Company and went to Slate Creek to fish and swim. On the day before we left the leaders got an urge to go on a ten-mile hike. That night was our last so we all stayed up late to enjoy the cracker barrel the leaders had fixed that day. The leaders who accompanied the boys were Scoutmaster Phil Shane, Dr. C. Reed Smith, Harley Justus, and President Joel P. Gold.

By Marjorie Simard

Marlene Randall, daughter of Florence and Arnie Randall, is in Helsinki, Finland, for the year, attending school while living with some cousins.

Elder Robert Crockett has returned from a mission in the Northwestern States and is now enrolled at BYU. Elder Crockett was living with his family in Hawaii and attending the Church College there at the time of his mission call. They now live in Hayward, the family home. Robert's parents are Brother and Sister Cardon Crockett,, who honored him at an open house September 8 at their home following the homecoming in the ward at which Robert made his report, The Crocketts have one other son, Jim.

Young Dennis Murphy, son of Hayward's Bishop Shannon and Margaret Murphy, had a testimony-building experience last month when he made a remarkable recovery from an infection and surgery following the fasting and prayer of members of Hayward Ward. Dennis is now at home, where he gets about on a cane and will soon be able to return to school and his Church activities. In the meantime, his Priesthood leader, Bernard Stewart, has been taking the entire Deacons' Quorum to the Bishop's home for their priesthood metings so that Dennis will not have to miss out.

Seminary has begun for the three Hayward wards with a lot of enthusiasm and good spirits. Instructors are Victor Simard, Lynn Woolston, and William Anderson. Classes begin at 6:30 a.m. at the ward.

Clinton and Jeanie Linnell became the proud parents of their first son on September 13. The Linnells have one small daughter, Julie.

Ross Angeli, who has serve faithfully for a number of years in the Explorer program in the ward, now heads the YMMIA.

Clyde La Pray is recovering at home after surgery to remove some bone from his foot. Asked how he is he replies, "I'm not kicking."

Judith Tanner, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William Tanner, who was graduated in June from BYU, has reported to Miami, Florida, where she will receive training to become an overseas stewardess for Pan American Airlines. Judy is very proficient in Spanish.

Barbara La Pray and Judy Shumate, both BYU graduates in August, are teaching elementary school this fall. Barbara is in the San Jose school system, while Judy stayed in the Provo schools. Barbara's parents are Clyde and Bertha LaPray and Judy is the daughter of Berlin and Joy Shumate.

Hayward Ward's large population of college students are back at their studies. Brad Monson and Mark Sylvester will attend Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho. Justin Tanner is preparing to be a veterinarian at the Utah State University at Logan. Neil Shumate continues at Chabot J.C. Fred Dahle is attending San Jose State. Paul Dunn, living at the Simards' since his folks' transfer to Susanville, is at the new State College at Hayward. Julie Smith will be at Cal. Jay Crockett will continue at University of Utah. The large group choosing Brigham Young will include Stan Dunn, Dan and Ada Watts, Dennis Moffat, Linda Lyon, Barry Maashoff, Jane Sylvester, David Crockett, Warren and Arthur Berg and Sharlene McClellan.

Ron Lewis is back at his duties in the bishopric after working all summer at BYU to finish classwork required for his master's degree in education. He is now working an his thesis. Glen Edmunds finished work toward his master's degree and was awarded that degree earlier in the year.

Brother and Sister Leo Swithenbank are making their home in Hayward after a summer wedding in the Logan Temple. Leo is employed by the City of Hayward, while his wife, the former Ila Jean North, continues with her teaching at Niles in the elementary school.

Castro Valley 2d Ward

Changes In Bishopric Named

By Bess Johnson

A change in Castro Valley 2d Ward Bishopric took place during the recent San Leandro Stake Conference. DeVon Jensen was released as first counselor in the bishopric. Charles Ruiz was sustained as first counselor. The Jensen family will be missed by our Ward for they have been active family. Rita has served faithfully in both the Primary and Sunday School. They have purchased a home in Concord.

A hand of fellowship is extended to the following new members of our ward: Ressie Testi, Eugenie Fuller, Don R. Brown and family John and Karen Johnson and the Kenneth Willits family.

It is with a touch of sadness and also much pride that we see our young people off to college at this time of the year. Robert Aguirre, Louis Boyle III, Michael Bailey, Karen Hancock, Maryjo Reed and Cathy Stephens and Alyce Ostler have all left for Brigham Young University at Provo. Dale Johnson is attending the University of Redlands for his second year of college.

Joseph R. Johnson

Joseph R. Johnson died suddenly of a heart attack August 22 while vacationing with his family on the Russian River.

Brother Johnson had lived in San Francisco for 18 years and had held many positions of importace in Sunset Ward and San Francisco Stake. He had been one of the presidents of the 222nd Quorum of Seventy, Bishop of Sunset Ward, and a member of the San Fransico Stake high council. He was a warm and friendly man who will be greatly missed. He was associated with the Lauper Furniture compay in San Leandro.

Funeral services were htld Sunday August 25, in the Sunset ward. Speakers were Edward L. Howard of the San Mateo Stake presidency and D. Forrest Greene. Music was furnished by Lucille Blake at the organ and a male quartet comprising Eddie Kriegar, George Aaron, Bill Aaron and Ralph Engel Brother Johnson had sung in this quartet for years and Bill Aaron took his place for this occasion. Interment was on Monday, August 26, in Oakland Memorial Park Contra Costa County.

Surviving are his wife Viola Lauper Johnson, three children, Linda Johnson Peterson of Berkeley, and Jo Ann and J. R. Jr., and a grandson, David Peterson.

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Hilton - Farrell

Nita Ruth and Ralph Joseph Farrell are at home in Provo, Utah, after their marriage in Oakland August 9. They were married at her home by her father.

She is a daughter of Bishop Eugene S. and Joyce V. Hilton.

She is a granddaughter of Patriarch Eugene and Ruth Hilton and of Herbert A. and Neita Van Noy. She is a graduate of Oakland high School as were her oldre brother, mother, father, eight uncles, and one sunt. Nita was born and raised in Oakland and has lived in the Old Dimond Ward and Oakland 3d Ward all her life.

Ralph is the son of Ralph John and Shirley Farrell of Fullerton. Califoria.

Ralph and Nita met while students at B.Y.U. and they will both be attending the "Y" as juniors this year. Ralph is completing pre-med studies, and Nita is completing her work in education.

(See Picture On Page 10)

Young Visits Hayward Stake

Elder S. Dilworth Young, member of the First Council of Seventy, presided at a quarterly conference of the Hayward Stake Saturday and Sunday, September 21 and 22.

Accompanying Elder Young were Elder Delbert F. Wright, member of the Priesthood Home Teaching Committee, and Elder Lenard Doyle Robinson of the Missionary Committee.

General session of the conference were conducted Sunday by Stake President Francis B. Winkel, 188 Pickering Avenue, Fremont.

Elder Young was a professional executive of the Boy Scouts of America for 22 years before his church appointment in 1945. He had also served as a missionary and later was president of the New England Mission from 1947 to 1951. He has traveled the Church widely, encouraging priesthood and missionary activity.

Elders Wright and Robison addressed special meetings for Priesthood and Missionary leaders on Saturday.

Elder Wright, former stake president in both Oakland and St. Louis and now a resident of Danville Ward, also represented the General Authorities at a quarterly conference of the North Sacramento Stake in North Highlands September 14 and 15.

El Sobrante Ward

Adults Urged To Study Genealogy

By Evelyn Childers

Parents . . . here is our opportunity to attend Mutual with our young people and also fulfill important genealogy obligations. Sister June Beraz, a capable and experienced genealogist, is conducting an adult genealogy class during Mutual every Tuesday, 7:15 - 9:00 p.m. Many of us, thinking we already know how to fill out family sheets properly, find automation has caught up with us and data process methods require us to learn newer recording systems. Let's attend this class to learn how to seek out and prepare our family names for the spring opening of our new Oakland Temple.

We are proud of our ward teachers who, since January and the division of the ward, have not fallen below 90 per cent homes visited; this month's record was 94.1 per cent. Good work, fellahs . . . and wives!! These visits mean a lot to our families and we appreciate the time and effort in carrying out this important duty.

Sunday School teachers enjoy a greater feeling of fellowship after their barbecue at the Martindale home and they look forward to repeat these socials.

The Elders' Quorum sponsored its annual outing to Vierra Beach on the Sacramento River. Everyone enjoyed watching the "brave ones" water ski — also enjoyed the "eating good time" and the watermelons supplied by the quorum.

Relief Society has a new presidency: Shirley Dunlap and her counselors Winona Millgate and Irene Thompson. Among many other activities our Relief Society ladies have completed two large quilts and 12 baby quilts, all neatly stitched and beautiful-and more orders coming! Many of our homes will be benefitted by the interesting two-hour talk on interior decoration at one of the work meetings.

Once again the sun rises to find our young people in Seminary classes which start 10 minutes earlier this year because of earlier school schedules. Our teachers this year are Don Martindale and Joan Allison.

Choir practice starts the first of October and Marna Eyring, the new director, asks those interested to come join the group. The choir adds a great deal to the quality and enjoyment of our meetings.

Welcome to our new converts, Sister Snyder and her son, and Sister Underwood and her two children. Congratulations to other new members: our new babies in the families of Robinson, Tichenor, Trettins, Peacock, Gaudio, and Bush.

Get-well wishes to Brother Edgar Scott recovering from a heart attack; to Anita Gibson recovering from an emergency appendectomy.

Congratulations are due Sister Elaine Hamlin on completing with high honors her course in practical nursing.

Old-time members of the ward will remember the Lanes and be pleased to hear Ed and Phila are back as ward members again.

A remark heard in passing—"but most of our **big** boys are on **missions**!" Girls, take heart, every cloud has a silver lining. The Authorities advise young ladies to marry returned missionaries .. .. and our missionary-minded Bishop is doing his best to provide you plenty of opportunities!! Be patient, they'll soon be back taller and handsomer than you ever remember them!

The Church Section of the Deseret News for Sept. 7 was in two parts: one was a special color section of 16 pages commemorating President McKay's 90th birthday. Alimited number of extra copies may still be available from the Deseret News, 43 South Main St., Salt Lake City, Utah.

Palo Alto Stake

Four Retired Palo Alto Couples Are Selected For Scottish Missions

By Gay Taylor

4 retired couples from Palo Alto have been called to serve in the Scottish Mission. There they will join their former stake president, David B. Haight, who now is mission president.

The couples have been called to lend their maturity and experience to supervisory positions in the mission branches, releasing young elders for active proselyting activities. So many converts are being baptized that a leadership of older people, with a background of many years in the gospel, was needed to help train and indoctrinate the newcomers.

First to leave for mission headquarters at Renfrew, Rrefrewshire, Scotland, were William S. and Opal Millar, who entered the Mission Home at Salt Lake City September 16 and were scheduled to leave for Scotland September 24. Opal Millar has been organist at Palo Alto Ward for twenty years, and has served as president of the Relief Society, on the Stake Relief Society Board, and in the Sunday School. William Millar has been ward clerk, president of the Elders' Quorum, member of the stake high council, and instructor of the High Priest Quorum. Now retired, he taught science in San Francisco high schools for 40 years.

The other three couples are scheduled to arrive at the Mission Home in Salt Lake City October 14.

Edward Vernon and Lilian Anderson formerly were from Portland, Oregon, where he was head of the Pacific Chemical and Supply Company. There, they served stake missions. On retirement, they came to Palo Alto, where he has served as general secretary of the Senior Aaronic committee for Palo Alto Ward. Both are from Utah.

Arthur and Myra Thulin will bring a rich experiece to their mission. He was president of Palo Alto Branch and the first bishop of Palo Alto Ward. She has been president of the Ward Relief Society, and a member of the stake boards for both the Relief Society and Sunday School. He retired as a civilian employee of the U.S. Navy base at Moffett Field.

John and Vivian Anderson have been active in Palo Alto Ward since moving to the city in 1939. she in Primary and the Relief Society Stake Board, he as scoutmaster, Sunday School superintendent, president of the YMMIA and other offices. He retired as mapping supervisor in the engineering department of Pacific Gas and Electric Compay after 34 years' service.

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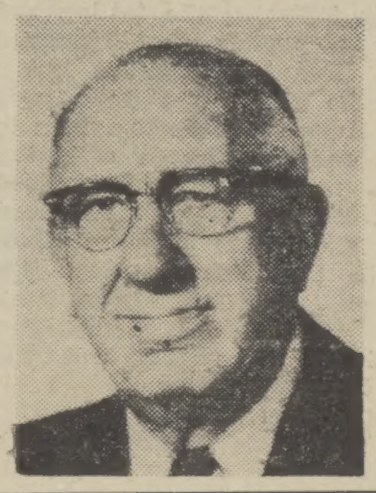

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Claremont Ward

Ward Dinner, Bazaar Combined

By Betty Moss

Claremont Ward Relief Society held its annual Bazaar with the ward dinner Friday night, September 20. Many beautiful hand-made items were offered for sale as well as baked goods. The Primary served a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Cheryl Smith and Dee Bennion headed the dinner committee.

The opening Relief Society social was held October 1. An interesting program was planned, and luncheon was served.

Ward Conference was held Septmber 15 with President O. Leslie Stone presiding.

We have combined M. I. A. groups with Berkeley 1st Ward, with the young people meeting in the Berkeley Chapel. Plans are proceeding for a profitable year.

Fifteen couples from Claremont Ward attended the opening dinner-dance of the Stake M. I. A.'s Arts program.

Rose and Elbert Gleason celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary with an open house at their home September 22. Many friends came to call and help celebrate the occasion.

The Lihoma Girls, under direction of leader Linda Petersen, held their Lihoma Holiday September 14. Eight girls and seven mothers attended the program and luncheon. Cheryl Smith and Dee Bennion assisted Linda in the preparation of the luncheon and program.

Mary and Norris Finlayson became parents of their fifth child, a boy whom they will name Samuel.

Carol and Don Ennis welcomed a second child into their family during the last month.

Oakland 3d Ward

"Stork", Font Boom Ward Growth

By Mary Westover

Oakland 3d Ward continues its rapid growth, both by birth and by baptism There were four babies given a name and a blessing at the last fast and testimonal meeting: John Joel Davis, son of Brother and Sister John Davis; Pearline Stanley, daughter of George and Sandra Stanley; Tommy Lynn Barber, daughter of Norman and Karen Barber; and Rachel Maxine Lott, daughter of Dale and Connie Lott. The number of baptisms and conversions is also almost geometrically increasing. Truly people seem hungry for the truth instead of having vitiated into moral decadence, as some would have us think.

With regret there reased of Robert LLeininger as councelor in the Sunday School. After his marriage to Wildred Holmes of Pleasant Hill d Ward on September 21 he no longer resides in our ward. We wish him happiness and success.

You would think it was spring by the number of wedding in the ward lately! S heeron Pimeentel was married to Chester Norris in our chapel on September 28 by Bishop Hilton. Her sister Barbara was maid of honor and Allen Roemer best man. The young couple will cotinue to reside in the ward.

We have surely enjoyed having all the young people home from college during the summer. They have added much to the activities of the ward. It will leave a void when they all return to their various schools.

A large attendance was expected at the annual Fathers' and Sons' Outing in the Santa Cruz mountains September 27 and 28 .An even beter program has been planned and this is one of those events whose memory is cherished through the years.

One of the nicest parts of fast and testimony meting is the letters the Bishop reads from all the missionaries and boys in service. This time we heard from Fred Weindorf who is doing good work in Ballimea, near Belfast in Ireland; Ken Matheson who is in Man-hattan ow; Ted Burroughs, who is back on the job, minus his tonsils; and Brother and Sister Decker, who are building a chapel in Airdrie, Scotland. Esther says that we don't realize all we have to grateful for in this country. Think of trying to run a ward — or even an auxiliary—without either a phone or a car, and with members scattered over a much wider area than we are accustomed to, but they have done it—since 1870 too.

Also, we have just heard that Melva Rainey, who is so well known throughout this area, has been married to a Ranger in Yellowstone Park whose name is Leo Stewart Brown. They will make their home in Rexburg, Idaho, during the summer. Her many friends wish her much happiness.

Sally Gibson has been sustained as our new Primary president. Her counselors are Amelia Johnson and Virginia Sedgwick.

Willard and Marie Pearce are jubilant over the birth of their grandson, Chris Bond, born to Ann and Tom Bond.

The Herbert Van Noys have recently returned from Cache Valley where they attended a reunion of the Faggart Family.

"-And Shall Run And Not Be Weary"

By Robert E. De Celle

The promise of our Prophet Joseph Smith could not have been better demonstrated in a recent long distance road race conducted at the Ninty-eighth Caledonia Meet.

Out of thirty eight entrants in this 14.5 mile grind in the Santa Rosa sun, three Latter-day Saints placed in the first six finishers.

Darryl Beardall and his brother Allen Beardall from Santa Rosa were in the first and fifth places. Robert DeCelle II, Alameda Ward was sixth. In a handicap mile, 15 year old Walt DeCelle was third.

We have been promised that if we keep ourselves free of tobacco, hot drinks alcohol or strong drink, we "shall receive health in their navel and marrow to their bones; and shall find wisdom and great treasures; and shall run and not be weary, and shall walk and not faint."

The Beardall brothers have consistently placed within the top place runners in recent road racing. At the fift-year-old Dipsea run, they placed first and third.. This latter race is a grueling affair that starts in Mill Valley and climbs straight up over Mt. Tamalpias for 1800 feet before dropping down into the hills toward Stinson Beach.

In the more recent 5.9 mile run in Walnut Creek Darryl placed third in a field of 78 runners. Again, Robert DeCelle II was in 15th place.

These young missionaries to the sports world are demonstrating that the words of our prophet are true and they actively demonstrate this by their clean living.

ESTHER L. JOHNSON

November 3 Interstake Concert

ESTHER L. JOHNSON, Organist at St. Mark's Lutheran Church of San Francisco and of Temple Beth El in Berkeley, will play the November 3 organ recital on the Interstake Concetr Series. It will be at 4 p.m., as are ALL of these "first Sunday" ISC concerts.

Her program includes:

Toccata and Fugue in F Major .. .. Dietrich Buxtehude

Chorale and Variations on "Sei ..... J. S. Bach

Concerto in A Major .... Georg Friedrich Handel

Canon in A Flat Major .... Robert Schumann

Choral Suite on "Vom H immel hoch, da komm ich her" .... Ernst Pepping

Chorale Prelude on "Wie schon leuchtet der Morgenstern" .... Paul Muller-Zurich

Two Preludes for the Festivals .. .. Herman Berlinski

Mary Dunn Named To Primary Board

Mary C. Dunn, formerly of Alameda and Oakland 4th Wards in Oakland-Berkeley Stake is a recent appointee to the Primary General Board.

Mary is the wife of Howard Dunn, a member of the Church Buiding committee and a former member of Oakland - Berkeley Stake high council. She has served as a teacher, counselor, president and stake board member in the Primary organization. She also has served as an officer in both Relief Society and YWMIA.

She was born in Bountiful, Utah, and grew up in nearby Layton. Her parents are Irvin and Mary Wood Call.

She attended Utah State University. In 1940 she was married to J. Howard Dunn. They and family of four live in Yalecrest Ward, Bonneville Stake.

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Prophet's Kin Visits S. F. Stake

Three prominent auxiliary organzation leaders of the Church attended quarterly conference of San Francisco Stake Saturday and Suday, September 28 and 29, in Daly City.

They are Lorin F. Wheelwright, a member of the Sunday School General Board; Lester F. Hewlett, Jr. and Emma Rae Ashton, representing the Young Men's and Young Women's Mutual Improvement Associations of the Church.

General session of the conference were conducted Sunday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. by Stake President Irven Glade Derrick, 408 Skyline Drive, Daly City.

Elder Wheelwright, formerly of Ogden, Utah, is a leader in the field of music, having been for many years music supervisor for the Salt Lake City Public Schols. At present, he is the associate editor of The Instructor magazine and is chairman of the Instructor Committee.

Elder Hewlett has served on the Board sice 1957. He fulfilled a mission in Alaska and is a graduate of the University of Utah.

Mrs. Ashton, a daughter of Church President David O. McKay, has served her community as a school teacher. She has also worked in several other organizations of the Church, including the Sunday School and Primary.

Special meetings for Sunday and MIA leaders were held Saturday.

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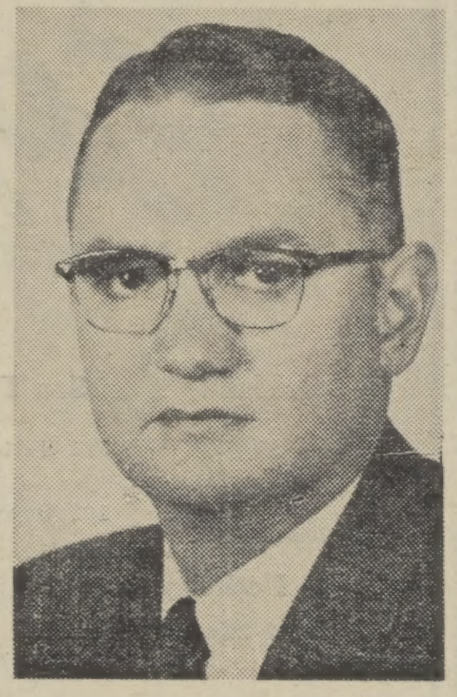

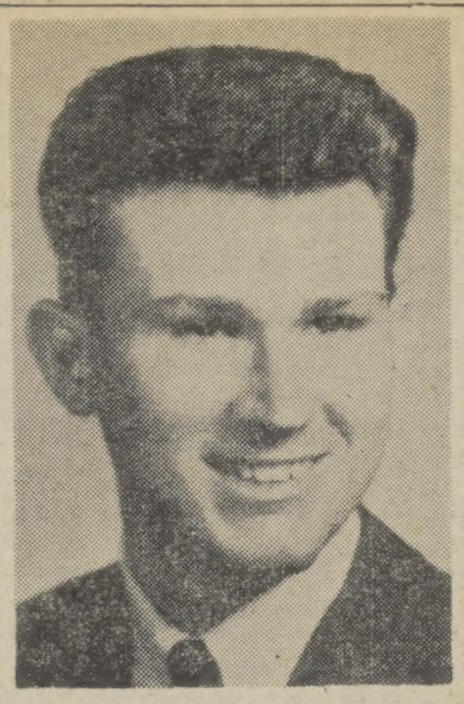

HARRY BROCKBANK JOHNSON was honored at a farewell testimonial August 11, in the Berkeley First Ward chapel. A son of J. Edward and LaVon B. Johnson, he will serve in the French Mission. Harry graduated from Berkeley High School and completed six months army training at Fort Ord and Fort Sam Houston. He completed two years at Brigham Young University. He received his Duty to God and Eagle Scout awards in the Berkeley First Ward. His brother, Dick, returned from the French Mission two years ago. Sister Johnson's brother, Elder Bernard Brockbank was able to attend and speak at the testimonial.

Polynesian Ward

Sacrament Meet Attendance Hits Record High

By Lucy Matsu

Since the month of June '63 the Polynesian Ward, has kept its average of 57 at Sacrament meetings goes to enthusiastic auxiliary leaders, who have constantly checked on enlistment work.

Primary "Get Acquainted Day" for teachers and children was held September 7. Opening exercises began September 14 with newly—elected officers conducting. Refreshments were served.
President ..... Montez Tofavaha
1st Counselor .... Mary Ann Selu
2nd Counselor ..... Fine Fieiki
Secretary ..... Kay Makaiwi

RELIEF SOCIETY — Opened September 26. Renewing acquaintances and introducing the year's program were the agenda. Re-Feagaimaalii. Twenty six students Merle Laeha conducted the meeting.

Ward Seminary breakfast was held September 1 for 56 parents and students. A message on Seminary was delivered by Bishop Feagaimaalii. wenty six students are enrolled. Instruction is by Kay Makaiwi. Classes begin at 6:30 every school morning.

Friday, October 4, at 6:30 p.m. the ward will sponsor a dinner and dance. Proceeds will go toward the Seminary program and ward budget. Floor show by Seminary students. Menu: half a barbecued chicken, chop suey, salads cake, ice cream and punch. Suggested donation is $2.50.

Ward genealogy committee held a get-together dinner. Those present were: Bishop and Sister Feagaimaaalii, Brother and Sister Kalehua, Brother and Sister Niko Niko, Brother and Sister Wayne Selu, Brother and Sister Lealao, Brother and Sister W. Matsu. Instructor is Sister Thelma Nawahine.

Faatali Niko ward representative to BYU LDS INTERNATIONAL EXPLORER CONFERENCE reported excerpts of his trip. Listings of stimulating leadership training were selected which comprised skill, competition, and electives. He reported that accomodations and planning of programs were excellent.

M.I.A. held its opening night September 3, 1963 Activity, music, and dance were enjoyed by all who attended. A special program provided by the Genera Board was dramatized. Violet Loo and Wilfred Laha are MIA presidents.

Plans are underway for a Ward anniversary celebration to be held in October. A fabulous program is anticipated.

Ward conference will be held in October. The ward choir under the direction of Anamani Tuia will furnish the music.

Wedding of Vaiula Iesa Purcell and Mr. Osomanu S. Fano was Solemnized in Los Angeles Temple September 13. Reception was held at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, September 21 at 3715 26th Street in San Francisco. Approximately 600 were present.

Oaklanders See BYU Graduation

Mr. and Mrs. Glena C. Rounds of Oakland 2d Ward attended graduation exercises for their son, Jay, who has majored in business economics, will attend the University of California this fall. He returned with the Rounds to Oakland. In Utah, Brother and Sister Rounds visited their daughter Shirley Merkeley and her family, formerly of the Oakland 2d ward. The Rounds left Oakland August 17 for a two-week vacation.

Hayward Stake

Welfare Dinner From Stake Farms

Barbecued beef, tomatoes from the Pleasanton Welfare Farm, and corn on the cob from the Patterson Ranch were chief items on the bill of fare at Hayward Stake's annual welfare dinner September 28. President Francis Winkel Counselors Andrew Hut and Joel P. Gold, and members of the High Council planned the dinner and then donned chef's aprons to barbecue the beef and serve the dinner.

Singing Mothers Open Rehearsals

The San Francisco Stake Relief Society Singing Mothers have begun rehearsals for a concert to be held early in December.

Letters were sent to the known singers, but this chorus is for every woman in the stake who tnjoys music and the influence it has in her life. All who care to join are invited to do so.

Rehearsals are held each Friday morning at 9:30 a.m. in the Sunset Ward chapel at 22nd Avenue and Lawton Street. Two sitters are in attendance to look after the many children who come with their mothers. Jean Lauper is the director, and Mable George accompanist.

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Garner

BROTHER MILTON GARNER passed away August 30. Services were September 3 with Dale E. Roe officiating. Our sincere sympathy to Sister Geraldine Garner and family .Many relative from Ogden Utah were in attendence to pay their last respects.

He was rembered affectionatly as a loyal ward teacher by those whom he visited .

SISER LILLIAN GIDDINGS death August 31 was followed by services Septemger 4 with Dale E. Roe officiating. Our sympathy goes to her family.

SISTER PEARL ANDERSON, a convert of one month was called by our Father September 1 to relieve her many months of suffering. Services were September 5 again with Dale E. Doe officiating. Our sincere sympathy to her husband Brother Morton Anderson. She was a student of the Bible and taught classes for 20 years at another church.

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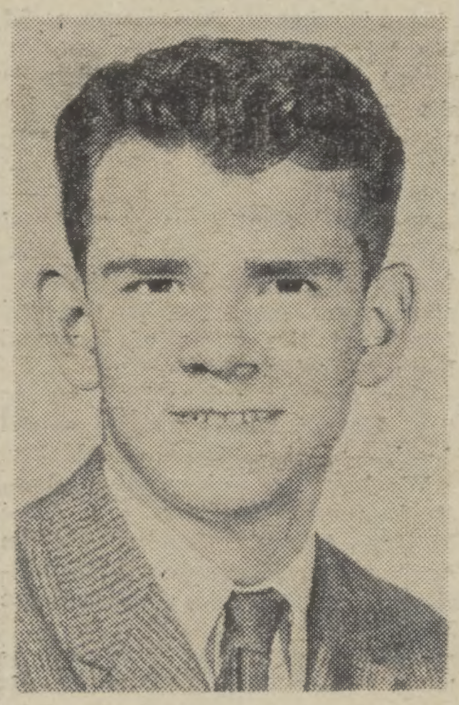
The church is interested in providing religious training for its young people attending colleges throughout the country. Primarily the purpose of these part-time religious classes is to cultivate a testimony of the Gospel in our young people. The Church hopes also to provide a wholesome social program to encourage young people to cultivate friendships among other L.D.S. students. As they enroll in school, especially if the college is outside the immediate vicinity of their homes, the student often finds himself without ties and friends in his educational associations.

Directors of these classes are all qualified to help students to find these desired contacts in their college life. Brother Godfrey has had experience in teaching seminary for the Church and has taught institute classes in southern California and in the bay area as well as cordinating the seminary programs in both places. He is presently persuing graduate work toward a doctor's degree at Brigham Young University. Brother Strebel has had long experience in the seminaries of the Church and has taught in bay area institutes. He is currently completing requirements for the Ph.D. degree in history at the University of California. Brother Sedgewick has completed a master's degree at U.C.L.A. and has taught in institutes of southern California as well as at Tucson, Arizona. He also has several years of experience in the Church's seminaries.

"We have no method of finding out who the students are except as they are referred to us and we are informed which colleges they are attending." Brother Godfrey said. "Will you, students attending any of these colleges? They will in turn communicate with the instructors. If you desire, communicate directly with the directors. Kenneth Godfrey 3551 Halifax, Concord telephone 686-5635; George L. Strebel, 1635 McGee Ave. Berkeley, telephone, 841-2341; Joel Sedgewick, 3378 Victor Ave. Oakland, telephone 533-0227.



DAN BAGNES, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Bagnes and grandson of Mrs. Elizabeth Pitt, received his call to serve in the newly forming Belgium Mission. This mission is so new that Dan will be reporting to the French North Mission, but has been designated as a missionary to the Belgium Mission. Dan was graduated from El-Cerrito High School in 1960 and has spent two years at the University of California and one year at Brigham Young University. His farewell was held in Berkeley 2d Ward September 29. His Grandmother Pitt is providing him not only spiritual but also financial assistance on his mission.

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Oak Grove Ward

Membership Near Thousand Mark

By Ray Percy Jr.

Oakgrove Ward membership is rapidly approaching 1000 and our new chapel is a necessity- Ward members seem to sense the need and are responding with renewed vigor. We hope to start a beautiful new chapel in the near future. The Priesthood members were startled by the report of Brother Stan Mann who had just reported from visiting with the Church Building Committee, that we must be committed to our building plans before October 15 or we can not build until 1965 since that is the deadline for inclusion of items in the 1964 budget.

Our Sacrament meeting with only 30% attendance leaves standing room only and much of this is occupied also.

The wonderful cool air in the chapel these summer evenings has been a wonderful addition to Concord ward Chapel. Air-conditioning, that is Thanks to Bishop Sutton, Vic Fraenkel, and Leonard Wenger.

Speaking of Vic, the Fraenkels are the proud parents of little Lawrence Elliott Fraenkel, born Saturday, Sept. 14th. Jean and the baby are doing nicely.

With the end of the summer our young people are returing to school. Sister Meretta Skidmore has recently left to attend the Church College of Hawaii. Danny Roark, Glen England, Cathy Finnegan, Bill Nelson, Judy Mortensen, Benny Duell will be attending B.Y.U. Ron Nelson will be going to U of U, and Jane Nelson to Utah State at Logan.

The Genealogy committee urges everyone to avail themselves and their friends of the opportunity to learn and really accomplish something this year by attending the class held in conjunction with the MIA. This will be a course giving the basic of Genealogy and specific helps to individual. As Sister Perona so forcefully put it to ups in our Sacrament Service, we are not overwhelmed with the task of preparing all the many meals in this life and so likewise to be overwhelmed by the task of doing genealogical research is due to lack of orientation, lack of planning.

Congratulations are in order for Ron Harrison and Frances Brockbank who are planning a wedding trip early in November to the Los Angeles Temple.

San Yorenzo 2d Ward

Membership 640, Or 224 Families

By Elverna Botts

Membersip of San Lorenzo 2d Ward is now 640, or 224 families, recent audit of the ward rolls shows. This is crowding the point of division of the ward and creation of a new one, officers have pointed out.

The Neil family was transfered to New Jersey and the Cutler family to Seattle, Washington. An open house was given for the Neil family at the home of Les and Ireta Wheeler.

Our deepest sympathy goes to the Howell family on the recent death of their daughter, Kathy.

We have several members baptized recently. They are Toni Marie Austin, Bradley Allen Archer, Harold, Thelma and Patricia Townsend, and Victoria Lynn Webber.

A baby girl, Robin Lynne, was born August 8 to Robert and Elverna Botts. She was honored by a baby shower given recently by Betty Glover. Kenneth Alan Babbitt was blessed rectntly. Recent Priethood ordinations included James R. McGhee Jr. and Neil Vance Adams who became deacons. We welcome the M'Laker family, Hawkins family and Golda Hedberg into our Ward.

The Three D's—Dick, Denis and Duane—will appear at the Intersatke Center at 8:00 p.m. November 15, under the sponsorship of the Castor Valley 2d Ward.

This talented trio has appeared many times and is very popular. Their versatility and musicanship have been praised wherever they have appeared.

OF COURSE YOU'VE READ THE IMPROVEMENT ERA for this month and its dedication to President David O. McKay in honor of his 90th birthday. A fitting tribute to a great man, a great leader, a great prophet, this is one you'll want to keep and refer to in the future.

While a student at Logan he was elected a member of Phi Kappa Phi, honr scholarship fraternity.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

GENTLE READER: We thought you'd like to see what your volunteer, unpaid reporters do to get the news to you. We apologize to Sister Westover for making public what she intended as a personal letter.

Dear Brother

As usual, I come dashing in just under the deadline! As I write this I am still trying to contact Brother Hans Wacker for his story but have not got hold of him yet. What I have comes from President Stone. This man holds a doctorate in Architure, speaks several languages, and has his own business in Munich, Germany. He is a member of one of the units of the Bavarian Mission. When he heard that a Temple was being built here in Oakland he was so anxious to be a part of this type of work that he paid his own way over here and offered to do ANYTHING, even to the lowliest type of a job—just so that he could feel that he had a part in this work. Because of union rulings and such he could not be employed in the actual building itself, —but he is maintaining himself—without compensation, and serv-serving as ight watchman on the Temple project. I can only reach him at night, if I happen to call while he is in the Stake Office,—but I thought that the story was so faith-promoting that it deserved more than casual mention. Dale agrees with me. He is a member of our ward—but this sort of thing transcends ward boundaries. aries.

Now about the rest of the stuff. Joyce Hilton has promised me that she would take care of the story about Nita's wedding and she had a plate all made and ready. She said she would take it over to Dale,—but she calls me this eve and says that she will have to run it out to you, because she did not get over to Dale's Also the picture for the Summerhays wedding was to have been brought to Dale's, but they had no write-up ready, so I took the information over the phone and am sending the write-up part herewith.

Lest my ward items be too long, please include the other weddings, particiulary that of Melva Rainey, since she was known throughout this area. As you probably know, she has been serving as housemother at the University of Utah. Of course, she resigned and will join her husband as soon as her re-placement can be found.

I always find the most of my items either at the very last minute or after I have sent them in, —because it is hard to impress upon the members that the dead line is long BEFORE the date of receiving the paper. However, you have no idea how many have told me how much they enjoy the Messenger each month— and I feel that it is fulfilling a real mission. May we all have the judgement and zeal to keep its interest and inspiration increasing with each issue!

Sincerely,
Mary D. Westover

P.S.

Where's the rest of our Letters-to-the-Editor column that started so hopefully? Nobody mad about anything? Everybody love us? We need a little of the hair shirt to keep us humble.

—Ed.

Dear Brother: Cannot thank you enough for the article you published for our luau. It was TOPS!!! And as I say, you deserve a medal! Many thanks again!

Aloha,
Sis Lucy Matsu
(Polnesian Ward)

Thanks appreciated. Medal waived. Glad it worked.

—Ed.

Testimonial For Elder Trainer

By Ruby Ostler

A farewell testimonial in honor fo Elder David Earl Trainer was held in the San Leandro 2d Ward Sunday, August 18. Speakers included Sister Doris Hansen and David Mullalay. Music was by Maureen Taylor and Brenda Rosencranz. A reception was held in the recreation hall. David has been called to the Southeast Mexican Mission.

The burlap project has been lagging lately because of vacations and Education Week. This worthwhile endeavor needs the support of every member of the ward. We hope that all who have signed up to work will fulfill their assignments each week so that orders can be filled and we can meet the obligations on the chapel.

Berkeley 2d Ward

Letter Tells Of Work In Mission

By Elder David L. Crockett

Goodbye, I said to France and Belgium, my adopted countries, and two-an-a half years of rich missionary experience came to a close. A tinge of regret came over me for I realized that rare would be future opportunities to give to my brothers and sisters such a concentrated service. I feel the greatest challenge to missionaries is to lose themselves and to find themselves in the end, for true happiness is attained through helping others.

Many lessons were taught me through practical experiences. The Lord asks us to go 2 by 2 for He realizes that two dedicated spirits are more effective than one. One companion boys the other. We learn patience and appreciation for the talents of each other and through our humility we progress.

My towns of labor included Reims, Paris and Brussels. During these assignments I was blessed with a good number of convert baptisms of which a good percentage are active and progressive Latter Day Saints. In Brussels where I served as Supervising Elder, I had the opportunity of working as chairman of the Youth Missionary Committee where first attempts were made in pioneering this program in the French Mission. While there, I was interviewed on the Belgium Radio for a series of four discussions presented daily. The special program was heard by about a million Belgians.

My testimony has been strengthened through service and my desire see the Gospel incorporated into the lives of those persons whose hearts the Lord has touched.

My thanks and appreciation to those who take an active interest in our missionary activities by providing the moral support we need.

Mission Home

(Continued from Page 1)

in on Valentine's Day a Saturday. In time various additions and alterations were made to the building and a lawn, later the site of barbecues, was planted. An outstanding feature of the home was its breath-taking view of San Francisco, the Bay and bridges, Oakland, and many prominent landmarks. Klamath District in southern Oregon was added to the mission June 7, 1942. At the end of that first year therewere 41 branches and eight districts, with 220 convert baptisms recorded.

"The Golden Gateway," designed to tie the missionaries, the office, and the local saints closer together was started that first year, but had to be suspended for lack of personned and wartime shortages of materials. It was resumed later and now has a monthly circulation of 750 to missionaries, parents, stake presidents, stake missionaries, other missions, and friends.

A. Warren Larson, Science teacher and member of the California Academy of Science, has contributing member to Academy's bi-monthly magazine, The Pacific Discovery. In the September- October issue Warren has a two page, illistrated article on The Banana Slug, Genus Ariolinax, The article covers its life cycle, habitat, food habits, and growth. Warren's fine photography and informative article are most interesting.

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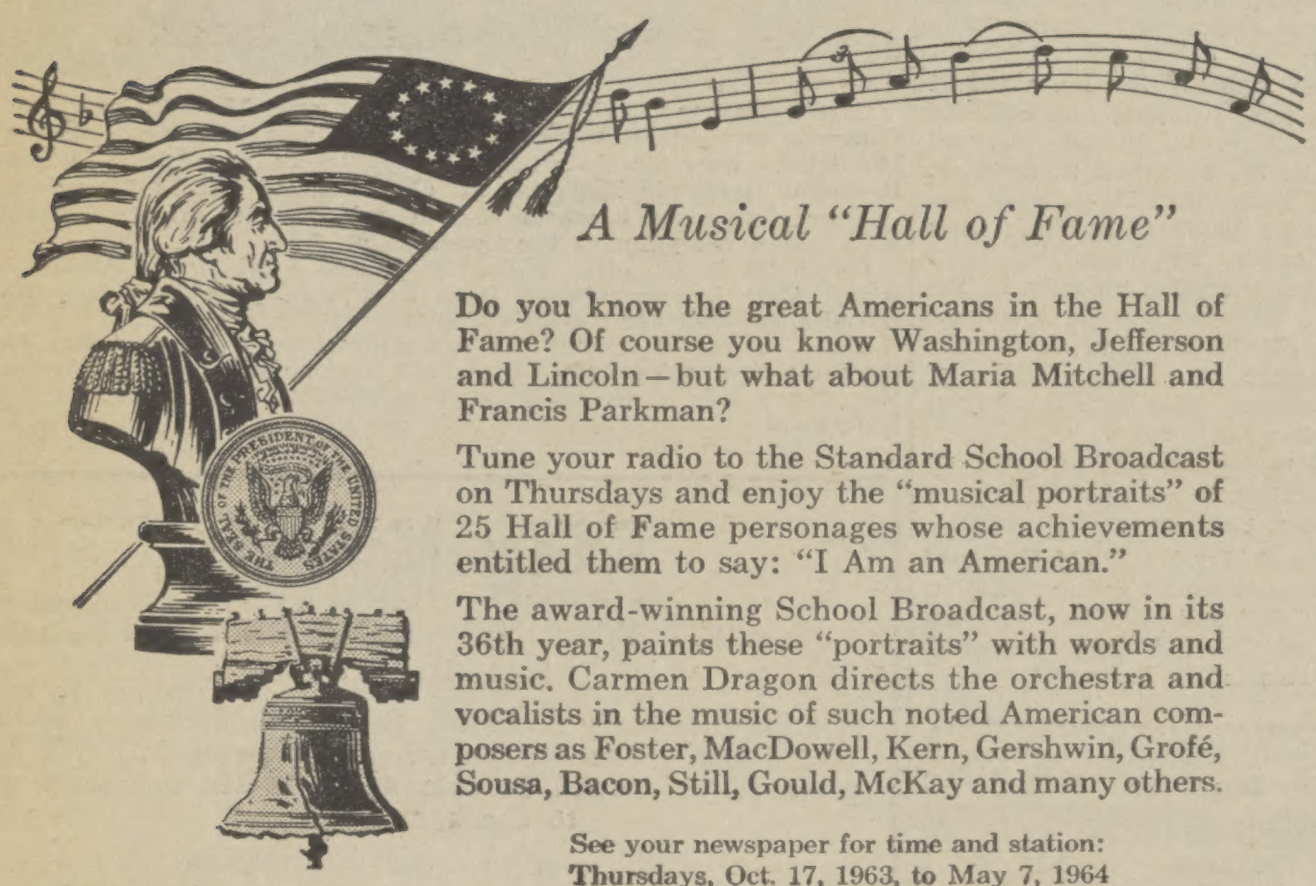

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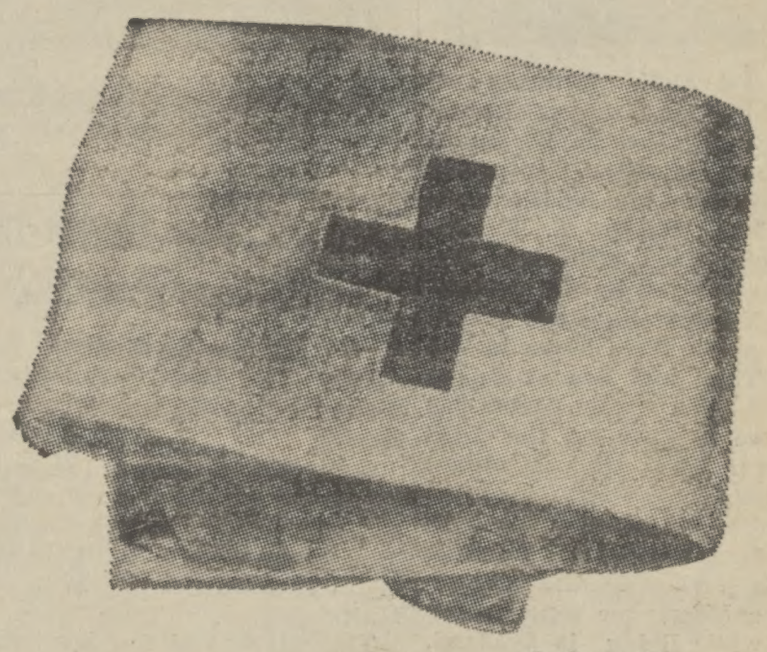

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NEWLYWEDS Leland H. Wright, Jr., and Susan Bybee, were honored at a reception September 7 in the Oakland 4th ward cultural hall, They were married September 3 in the Los Angeles Temple by President Jackson. hey will make their home in Provo where Leland will continue his studies at Brigham Young University. He recently completed a mission in exas. Parents of the bridegroom are Leland and Margret Wright; Parents of the bride are Curtis R. and Mary Bybee. The bridegrom's father is Bishop of the Oakland 4th ward; and the bride's father, a member of the high council of Oakland-Berkeley Stake, is a former Bishop of the 4th Ward.

MELVA RAINEY, formerly of Oakland 3d Ward, exchanged marriage vows with Leo S. Brown of Teton, Idaho, Saturday, September 7, at the home of the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Martin L. Brown. Bishop John Bean officiated. Mr. Brown is employed by the government in Yellowstone Park where they will make their home in the summer. They will live at Sugar City, during the winter. Melva has been house mother at the LDS Hospital for BYU student nurses for the last three years since the death of her husband, the late Austin Rainey. She has been active in Church and civic affairs, having been a Messenger reporter for 10 years while living in Oakland. She just recovered from bone surgery in her right leg and has been recuperating while vacationing at Yellowstone.

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Daly City-Balboa Seminary For 32

By Sandra Eschler

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The purpose of the Seminary is to teach high school students about the Old Testament and about the Church in general.

Both classes have been organized. David Mahoney is president of the advanced class, Dwight Scoville and Sandra Eschler are his counselors. James Sudduth is president of the beginning class. David Chandler and Chester Ireton are his counselors.

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Sixteen new apartment buildings with 192 apartments will be ready for use during fall quarter at Utah Stae University campus. Ten of these will be used for married students' housing and six will be used for 280 single women, according to William Skidmore, housing manager. Six apartment buildings were put into use a year ago for married students.

Bybee - Wright

Leland H. Wright Jr. and Susan Bybee, who were married in the Los Angeles Temple September 3, were honored at a reception Saturday September 7 in the Social Hall of the Oakland 4th Ward. They were married by President Jackson of the Los Angeles Temple.

Immediately after the emple ceremony the bridegroom's parents were hosts for a wedding breakfast in Los Angeles. The young couple honeymooned at the Beverly Hilton in Los Angeles and at Carmel-by-the-Sea.

The reception September 7, was attended by more than 600. Carl Byers served as best man and Sue's sister Joane Byers was matron of honor. The bride was attended by her sisters-in-law Barbara, Miriam and Janae Wright and by Frances Roe. Two grandmothers attended, one from Ogden, Utah and one from Oakland.

The newlyweds left September 11 for Provo, Utah, where Leland will resume his studies. He atteded one year at Brigham Young University before serving in the Texas Mission. Sue has also completed two years at BYU. She was serving as ward secretary to the YWMIA and a teacher in Junior Sunday School until her marriage. She was honored at several showers. Leland and Sue have been sweetharts since their early teens.

Sue's brother Howard was able to attend the wedding because he had received his missionary call to the East French missions and went to the Temple to receive his own endowments.

Fathers of the bride and bridegroom have served as bishops of the Oakland 4th ward. Leland H. Wright, Sr., is the present bishop; Curtis R. Bybee was bishop just before Bishop Wright. Brother Bybee is a member of the high council for Oakland-Berkeley Stake. The young couple's mothers have also been active in church service. Margret Wright is on the Oakland-Berkeley Stake board of the YWMIA and Mary Bybee is work leader for the Oakland 4th Ward Relief Society.

Davis - Mullaly

A reception in the San Leandro Ward social hall, July 27, honored Marjorie Ann Davis and David John Mullaly who were married July 20 in the Los Angeles Temple by President Benjamin L. Bowring. Marjorie Ann is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Herman Davis of San Leandro and the briedgroom's mother is Mrs. Pauline Mullaly of San Leandro. The young couple will live in East Oakland.

The bride was graduated from the Samuel Merritt Hospital School of Nursing August 2 and is working in obstetrics at San Leandro Memorial Hospital. The bridegroom completed a Northwestern States Mission 1959-61 and is now studying at Oakland City College. In January he will continue his education at Brigham Young University. He is employed at Macy's Bayfair. Both are from San Leandro 2d Ward.

At the reception on July 27, the bride's attendants were Anadeane Kiser of Chula Vista, California; Lyn Large and Evelyn Eccles of San Leandro and Beth Hensley of Corcoran, California.

The bridegrom was attended by his brother, Mr. Paul Mullaly of Fremont, California.

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NITA RUTH HILTON and Ralph Joseph Farrell who were married in Oakland August 9 are now at their home in Provo Utah. Nita is daughter of Bishop Eugene S. and Joyce V. Hilton. Ralph is son of John and Shirley Farrell of Fullerton.

Carole Dawnn Lee daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudger Lee of Concord, and Glenn Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown of Middletown were married in the Los Angeles Temple July 18 by Temple President Benjamin Bowering an old friend of Carol's father

After a wedding luncheon in Burbank, they returned to the Bay Area and a reception at the Concord In.

They met in Glendale while Carole was teaching at Hoover high school after her graduation from Brigham Young University where she also received her master's degree.

Glenn, a recent convert, is a manufacturer's repesentative for a Burbank electronics firm. Carole will resume her teaching career at Van Nuys this year. They have established thier home in North Hollywood.

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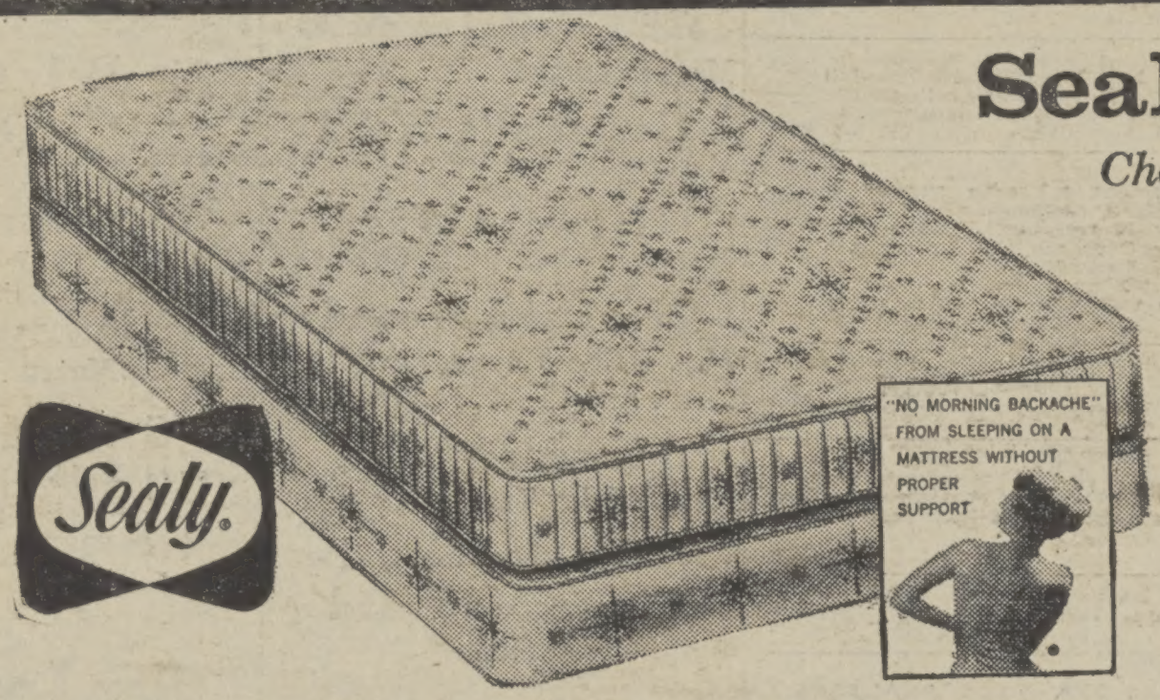

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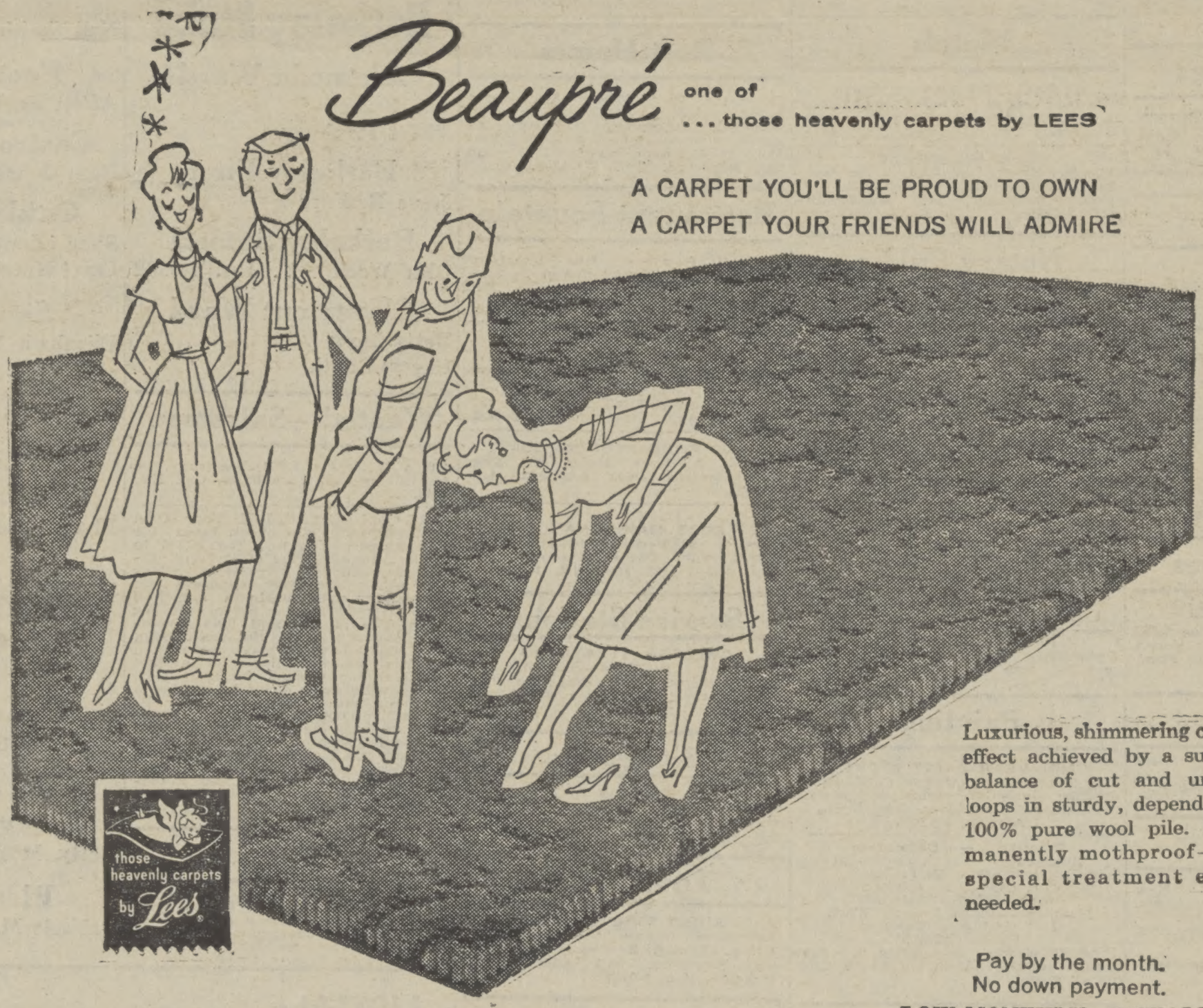

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